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Are you a member of the Irma Agricultural Society? It matters not, come anyway. You are welcome. Where? To the

Big Concert, Box Social and Dance

In the Co-Operative Hall, Friday, March 14th, 1919

Whose? The Irma Agricultural Society. Time? 8 o'clock sharp



Special Meeting of the U. F. A. Sat. March 15

There will be a special meeting of the UFA on Saturday afternoon March 15th, at 2.30 o'clock in the Co-op hall. Reports of the delegates to the recent conventions of the Grain Growers Association and the UFA will be given. Particular attention will be given to the matter of political action on the part of the farmers. Members of the UFWA are invited to attend. The resolution passed by the UFA Convention which brings this before us is as follows:-

Whereas our organization has reached a state of development in freedom from partisanship in mobilization of thought and numerical strength that political action not only becomes possible, but is now necessary to our continued progress and

Whereas the nature of this organization, and the very ground work of its development, demands that it should continue to be independent of any class or party, and free from any sectional influence to the end that purely democratic and independent political action shall be promoted.

Now therefore be it resolved: 1—We urge the locals in the various federal districts to take immediate steps looking to the organization of district committees for the purpose of holding at least one convention each year in each of such districts, such convention to continue one or more days as circumstances may require. 2—The Central UFA office shall upon request of 10 per cent of the locals in any district render whatever assistance it can in calling and arranging for such convention. 3—The primary purpose of such convention shall be to discuss ways and means of taking independent political action and selecting an independent candidate. The convention may, however, discuss and deal with any other district UFA matters. 4—Each convention shall be responsible for its actions in putting a candidate in the field, in financing and electing such candidate, but nothing in this resolution shall prevent any officer of the provincial organization giving what assistance he can when called upon. 5—Men and women will both be eligible to participate in such convention with equal privilege to such extent as the law allows. 6—The several district convention may make arrangements through a joint committee through the Central UFA office for calling a provincial convention when and for whatsoever purpose they may deem necessary.

The resolution was moved by P. Baker and seconded by Jame Weir.

Another Vote On Prohibition Likely

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—It is understood that the question of prohibition was under consideration in the government caucus today. It was suggested by many members that when a plebiscite is taken subsequent to the return of Canada's fighting men to their homes, several questions should be submitted to the people. It was argued that they should be asked whether they desire bone-dry prohibition or the sale of light wines and beers.

Another suggestion was that the people should decide whether the sale of such beverages that may be voted for, if any, should be in the hands of licensed private citizens or under government control, also whether bars should be allowed or the sale confined to government dispensaries or privately owned stores. There was no definite announcement by the government as to what course would be adopted when the referendum is held, or whether there will be further consideration of that matter at caucuses in the future.

News From Everywhere

The 49th Edmonton Battalion is expected to reach Edmonton about March 15th. The city is preparing a great reception.

Princess Patricia of Connaught and Commander Alexander R. M. Ramsay, R.W., were married at noon, Thursday, February 27th. The wedding presents which are still arriving number nearly 700, from homely market baskets to priceless diamonds. No other social event during the war has caused such public interest.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Preparation for President Wilson's return to France was completed today at the White House. He will sail on the George Washington on Wednesday morning.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 28.—D.O. Carlson, of Rapid City, dropped dead during the course of a dance here last night. The deceased, who was 25 years old and unmarried, had just recovered from an attack of influenza.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Casualties on American railroads during 1918 resulted in the death of 9,567 persons and the injury of 70,970, the interstate committee announced today. During the previous year 9,476 lives were lost and 66,982 persons were injured.

TOFIELD, Feb. 28.—Matt Lemm of Holden was today committed for trial at Edmonton on a charge of having in his possession illicit stills. He was allowed bail of \$4000 and two sureties of \$2000 each. J. A. McAffery represented Lemm at the preliminary here.

Little Red School- House Must Go Expert Avers

We must destroy the small one-room school altogether, and make it into a large community school. The small school has outlived its usefulness except perhaps on the remote fringes of districts where pioneer conditions prevail," declared Dr. David W. Focht of the United States bureau of education, at the final session of the thirteenth annual convention of the Manitoba trustees' association in Westminster church, Thursday afternoon.

Consolidation was the solution of the school problem. Dr. Focht declared at the close of his address. Manitoba was leading the way in this respect and he hoped to find 1,000 such schools here on his next visit. A standing vote of thanks was accorded Dr. Focht at the close of his address.

Saskatchewan's offer of closer cooperation with Manitoba in the matter of trustees' conventions was heartily endorsed and the executive of the M.T.A. given full power to act in this matter.

A motion to hold the next annual convention at Brandon was voted down by a small majority.

C.F. Mathews moved that the department of education be asked to assume the same share of the expenses of transportation of children to and from rural schools as it does in the case of consolidated schools. This motion was tabled after considerable discussion. Another motion lost after lengthy discussion was one seeking to substitute a majority vote instead of a two-thirds vote now necessary in the case of a union district wishing to come under a municipal school board.

A motion asking the department to supply free text books in the schools up to the entrance instead of only to grade four as under the present system was approved.

A motion to raise the entrance age of a child into the public school to seven years was tabled.

J.A. Marion, president of the Union of Municipalities, brought greetings from his organization.

A vote of thanks was accorded the management of Westminster church for the free use of the building.

Irma School Report.

JANUARY.

Number enrolled, 30.

Average Attendance, 24.8.

Those who had perfect attendance: Charlie Peterson, Kathleen Clute, Geo. Chynoweth, Lennie Peterson, Nora Sharkey, Ezriel Sharkey, Grace Love.

FEBRUARY.

Number enrolled 36.

Average attendance, 26.5.

In perfect attendance, Charlie Peterson, Charlie Pollock, Pearl Sharkey, Cecil Curfman.

49th Canadians Will Sail For Can. March 12

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—The militia department announced today that it is understood that the dispatch to the Third division, under command of Major-General F.O.W. Loomis, C.B., of C.M.G., from England, will commence about March 12. Personnel who previously served with the units of this division in France and are now in England who are proceeding to dispersal stations to which their units have been allotted in Canada, will be given an opportunity to rejoin their units and return home with them.

Units in which the west are interested and their dispersal are as follows:

Seventh Canadian Infantry brigade, P.P.C.L.I., Ottawa.
49th battalion, Edmonton.
Fifth Canadian infantry brigade, 1st C.M.B. battalion, Brandon.
Second C.M.R. Battalion, Victoria.
Ninth Canadian Infantry brigade, 43rd battalion, Winnipeg.
52nd battalion, Port Arthur.
Tenth brigade, C.F.A.
88th battery Winnipeg
29th Battery, Medicine Hat.
No. 8 field ambulance Calgary.
No. 10 field ambulance Winnipeg
No. 3 company, 3rd Canadian division train Winnipeg.
No. 4 company, 3rd Canadian division train Calgary.
Third Canadian division, M. T. Co., Winnipeg.

LOCAL NEWS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J.A. McDonald on Feb. 25th, a daughter.

Mrs. J.H. Elliott has been spending a few days at Chauvin visiting her daughter, Mrs. A.A. Cook.

J.G. Clark has received a letter from his son George in which he states that he expects to be sailing into the near future for home.

See the new samples of made-to-measure men's suits in the Co-op Gents' Furnishings.

The Irma Agricultural society have decided not to rent the grounds, this season for pasture. The grounds will be used for ball games sports.

Just received new spring samples of mens' made-to-measure clothing. See them in the Co-op Gents' Furnishings.

Be smart dressed by wearing one of our made-to-measure suits Co-op store.

Owing to the two shows in town this week Mr. Ewers has decided to call of his dance advertised for Friday night.

Mr. G. A. Green has accepted a position with an Edmonton firm and is arranging to sell all his stock, implements, furniture on 23.

A Good Show Coming Saturday

Saturday night, March 8th, the Kelly Spencer Novelty Co., will be at the Co-op Hall. John A. Kelly was here about three years ago with the Spiggett Kelly Co. As Mr. Spiggett was a victim of the flu early last fall the Company had to be re-organized. Mr. Kelly makes a specialty as a ventriloquist, singer and Irish story teller. Mr. Will Spencer is well known as a character comedian and impersonator. The musical end of the program is well sustained by Miss Hazel Dean Bryan and Miss Hilda M. Buckingham. A.T.C.M. Admission adults \$1.00, children 25c. The show will start as soon after 8, as the hall is seated so come early so as to get a good seat.

Jarrow Church Services.

Sunday, March 9th.
Lynx, 11 a.m.
Batts, 3 p.m.
Jarrow, 7.30 p.m.
M. D. Bayley, Pastor.

The Jarrow Ladies Aid will hold their regular meeting Wednesday, March 12th, at the home of Mrs. G. A. Matthews. A full attendance requested.

NOTICE

Orders for gopher poison will be received by the Secretary of the U. F. A. Cash to accompany order and to be filled according to the date of filing.
C.G. Hockin, Sec-Treas.

Masquerade Ball In Co-Op Hall, 17th o' Ireland

On account of the Kelly entertainers using the hall Saturday night, March 8th, Mr. Ewers will put on a dance Mon., March 17th. The admission will be the same as for the Saturday night dance. The admission for the Masquerade on March 17th will be 50 cents for gents, ladies free. Home made suits will be in order. Prizes will be given for the most comical costumes. A supply of masks has been ordered by the Co-op which will be here in plenty of time.

U. F. W. A.

On Saturday, March 1st, the U. F.W.A. met at the home of Mrs. C.G. Hockin. After the business had been transacted, Mrs. F.W. Watkinson the delegate read her report of the convention. Mr. Hockin read an excellent paper on Sabbath Observance.

Before leaving tea was served by the hostess.

Church Services.

Sunday, March 9, 1919
11 a.m. preaching service and Bible study at Battle Hights.
2.30 p.m. preaching service and Bible study at Elliott's.
7.30 p.m. preaching service and Bible study at Irma.
All are welcome.
C. G. Hockin, Pastor

MASQUERADE GRAND BALL

Monday March 17th

Prizes for best dressed couple and comic costumes

Henderson's Orchestra

Gentlemen 50 cents

Ladies bring Baskets

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Everybody come

German Commission Leaves For Berlin

Geneva. — Swiss newspapers print a Berlin dispatch stating that owing to the sudden suspension of armistice negotiations the German commission had left Spa for Berlin.

The reason for the reported suspension is not given.

General Ludendorff and Field Marshal von Hindenburg are expected in Berlin.

Negotiations between allied and German financial, economic and military missions have been in progress at Spa for some time, but there has been no intimation from allied sources that anything in the nature of a crisis had developed there. In the absence of definite information it would seem probable that the meeting, if it has been broken as reported, have been suspended only temporarily. On February 14 Marshal Foch presented to the German armistice commission at Treves the provisions for an extension of the armistice between the allies and Germany. These provisions he received from the supreme council of the peace conference. They were accepted by the Germans after being referred to the national assembly at Weimar, and were signed by the German delegates on the evening of February 16.

Man Who Found Nickel

Sudbury, Ont. — News has reached here of the death in Ypsilanti, Mich., of James Stobie, the man who first found a nickel ore body in Sudbury district and the discoverer of Mount Nickel and Stobie. He became very wealthy and took up farming after his prospecting experience. Of late years his life had been given over to the advancement of religion, to which he gave liberally.

Reds Seize Ballot Boxes

London. — After the elections for the town council had been held in Düsseldorf, says a Cologne dispatch, bands of armed Spartans compelled the officials to surrender the ballot boxes at the point of revolvers, and made bonfires in the streets of the ballots and all the election documents. The Spartans wound up with a little promiscuous shooting, resulting in several casualties. The dispatch adds that a telegram of protest was sent to the ministry of home affairs on behalf of the Centre party, which is said to have received a majority of the votes cast. Another general strike in Düsseldorf is threatened, the advices state.

Anti-War Man Offered Portfolio

London. — A delayed dispatch received from Munich said that Dr. Muehlen, former director of Krupp's, had been offered the portfolio of foreign secretary in the new Bavarian government. He is reported to have replied that he would study the situation before answering.

Dr. Muehlen, despite his position as head of the big munition works, disapproved of Germany's conduct of the war. His denunciation became so severe that he was forced to flee to Switzerland.

The two United States divisions who fought to the last under Marshal Haig were composed of men of the purest British stock.

Hunger Typhus in Moscow

Famine Is Made Worse by Lack of Medicine

Paris. — The soviet government in Moscow is now regulating the number of baths each person is permitted to take in the various public and private bathing places, and for this purpose has divided the population into three categories, according to French refugees arriving here from Russia.

Those in the first category are allowed to bathe twice a month, it is said, and those in the second category once a month, while those in the third category never.

The cost of food in Russia is declared to be prohibitive when food can be obtained and a famine, made worse by lack of medicine, was reigning in Moscow when the French left. The Bolsheviks call it the "hunger typhus," and it claims from two thousand to three thousand victims daily.

Premier Lenin, the refugees say, is not affected by the food problem. Lenin had plenty to eat, and his bill for fruit and vegetables in a recent month amounted to 60,000 roubles.

Guards Return to London

General Fielding Welcomed Battalion On Behalf of King

London. — The second battalion of the Grenadier Guards received an enthusiastic welcome on its return to London from Germany. Although no ceremonies had been arranged, and the hour of arrival was uncertain, immense crowds assembled at St. Pancras station, which was thronged, large numbers being congregated outside.

The only indication that something unusual was happening was the presence of massed bands which played "See, the Conquering Hero Comes," as the men left their train. General Fielding, commandant of the London district, welcomed the battalion on behalf of the King, and then the guards began a triumphant march across London to Chelsea barracks.

Submarines for Canada

Two Submarines Given to Dominion and Six to Australia

London. — Replying to Lieut.-Col. Burgoine, Right Hon. Walter Long, first lord of the admiralty, stated in the house of commons that the imperial government had offered the Australian government six modern submarines. Two submarines had been presented to Canada. Requests made by other dominions, said Mr. Long, would receive the most sympathetic consideration. Mr. Long emphasized the fact that the Australian navy was in an advanced stage of development.

Col. Burgoine asked if the two submarines given to Canada were the same two which had been taken from her, or were they additional.

Mr. Long replied: "I really cannot say."

Italian Women Ask Rights

Rome. — The national council of Italian women has written to Premier Orlando demanding legal equality of sexes and woman suffrage in parliament and municipal elections. The letter pointed out that Italian women gave their service during the war and asked why their position should be inferior to that of the women of other countries.



HON. MRS. A. R. M. RAMSAY (Princess Patricia)

Wedding in Westminster Abbey

Public Greatly Interested in Social Event

London. — Princess Patricia of Connaught, and Commander Alexander R. M. Ramsay, R.N., were married at Westminster Abbey, February 27th. No other social event since the beginning of the war has caused such public interest. Crowds assembled early along the route over which the princess drove with her father, the Duke of Connaught, from St. James Palace to Westminster Abbey.

The ceremony was performed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, assisted by other noted ecclesiastics in the presence of King George and Queen Mary, and a great assemblage of the members of the royal family, distinguished officials of the British and foreign governments, and friends and visitors from abroad.

In the fashionable audience in the outer gallery being caught up with silver-lovers' knots. She carried a bouquet presented by the Princess Patricia, Canadian regiment and tied with the regimental colors.

The procession was led by a choir singing "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven." The gentlemen ushers followed, and then came Princess Patricia, with her father. They were followed by the Earl of MacDuff, eldest son of the Duchess of Fife, and the Hon. Simon Ramsay, as pages, bearing the Princess' train. Then came Lady Jean Ramsay with Princess Ingrid of Sweden, Lady Ida Ramsay with Lady May Cambridge, Princess Maude with Princess Mary, and Lady Helena Cambridge with Lady Victoria Cambridge.

The bride was given away by her father. During the service the choir sang the 67th Psalm, the hymn, "O Perfect Love," and the anthem, "Who is Like Unto Thee, O Lord."

Ex-Kaiser Thinks Huns Will Repent

Says There Are Still Good Patriots in Germany

London. — "Germany will soon repent of having overthrown the monarchy," is the statement attributed to the former German emperor by the Mail's Copenhagen correspondent, reporting a recent conversation the royal exile had with Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, the German foreign minister.

"All that is happening in Germany goes to my heart," continued the erstwhile monarch. "I did not will it. There are still good patriots in Germany who will not allow her to become bankrupt."

Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, according to the correspondent, went to Amerongen two months ago and delivered to the former emperor a considerable sum of money. The count stayed at Amerongen for a short period, accompanied by the ex-kaiser's lawyer, Dr. Wangemann. Herr Hohenzollern is described as being very cheerful and hopeful.

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Official Report of Esthonian Atrocities

Trouble in Saxony

Berlin. — Spartans and radical Socialists have launched a movement to overthrow the existing government in Saxony, where the newly elected diet was to assemble. A general strike has been proclaimed and railway communication with Halle, one of the principal junction points in Saxony has been broken. The Spartans are reported to have taken possession of Plauen and other industrial centres. Independent Socialists in Leipzig have issued a manifesto demanding the retirement of the Weimar government, declaring that it is "an impediment to Socialism and liberation of the proletariat." The Independent Socialists are reported working feverishly for a proclamation of a Soviet republic in Saxony.

Poland Officially Recognized

Warsaw. — M. Trombicki, marshal of the Diet, read to the Diet a telegram from Stephen Pichon, the French foreign minister, which M. Noulens, former French ambassador to Russia, transmitted to M. Paderewski, the Polish premier, officially recognizing Poland as an independent sovereign state. The members of the Diet with the exception of a few socialists, stood while the message was being read, and cheered it.

Copenhagen. — An appalling narrative of inhuman crime is revealed in the official report of the Esthonian authorities on Bolshevik atrocities committed in Esthonia, especially in Wessenberg and Dorpal. The graves of those murdered at Wessenberg were opened on February 17 in the presence of the town governor. Skulls were shattered, bodies bayoneted and even eyes removed.

Eye-witnesses described the terrible scene when the victims were placed on the edge of the graves and shot indiscriminately, trampled into the graves and finished with the butts of rifles. The vicinity of the graves was littered with torn clothing, fragments of skulls and hair, while the grass was covered with congealed blood.

Similar blood thirstiness was cyned at Dorpal, where the murdered victims were dropped into the river through holes in the ice. Recovered bodies revealed many arms and legs broken and one with eyes put out.

The prisoners captured were robbed of clothing and valuables, put into a cellar and killed with bombs. Examination of the cellar showed bodies piled up in natural positions. The walls were splashed with blood.

Bolsheviks who were ragged against the peasantry, many of whom were mutilated and murdered. Thirty women were killed at Narva by stones being tied around their necks and being thrown into the river.

It's a good plan to grease or paint the bright parts of all farm machinery as soon as one is through using it.

Criticize Plan to Destroy Foe Ships

London. — The Daily Chronicle reports in a Paris dispatch that the suggestion that the German fleet be sunk in the Atlantic has excited a storm of criticism in the French papers. The French think that their government has a particular right to a number of these vessels by way of compensation for their naval losses.

Major David Davies, chairman of the league of nations union, according to the Chronicle's dispatch, suggests that the German fleet should be handed over to the league of nations as the nucleus of an international police force which could be relied upon to enforce the decisions of the league. Doubtless, says Major Davies, such an international naval force would have to be built up step by step. It is unnecessary the whole fleet should be commissioned at the same time. Thus a long period would elapse before it could possibly rival existing national fleets but, as confidence in the league of nations develops and as the financial strain of competing armaments became more acutely felt the tendency would

be to transfer sea power more and more to the international fleet. Regarding the question of a base for this international force, Major Davies says that the future status of Constantinople would soon become an important question at the peace conference. Was it not possible that the straits and the Bosphorus could be internationalized, and that Constantinople should become one of the first bases of the international police force?

Major Davies adds that proposals were recently made to abolish the submarine as a weapon of naval warfare. If the league of nations had a sufficient number of submarines at its disposal and maintained a monopoly in development of this weapon that was the only sure and effective means of securing its abandonment by individual nations. The disposal of the German navy offers opportunity of making the league of nations a reality and ending it partially with the means of exercising its authority and maintaining processes of law against aggression and violence.

The Woman Who Suffers.



Who does not know women and young girls who are continually in tears? Who always see the dark side? Who have frequent fits of melancholy without any apparent cause? The intelligent physician will know that it is some derangement of the complicated and delicate feminine organs. The young girl suffers bodily and mentally in silence. There is undue weariness, unexpected pain, unreasonable tears and fits of temper.

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(Toronto) Ont. — "Dr. Pierce's medicine has been a wonderful help to me and I recommend it in hope that others may be benefited by its use. When I was a girl I was always delicate. My mother thought she could never make me. As I got older I grew weaker; doctors said I would have to have an operation. I suffered at times untold agony. My mother started giving me 'Favorite Prescription,' and it finally cured me of all my trouble. After I married I used it again. My children are all healthy and strong. This medicine did wonders for me, saved me much suffering, and I can highly recommend it to weak women or those raising a family." — Mrs. A. W. Robb, 118 Tecumseh St.

Proof that Some Women do Avoid Operations

Mrs. Etta Dorion, of Ogdensburg, Wis., says:

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Peace Hath Her Victories

and responsibilities. The duty of every man is to provide a living for himself and his family, and help in the reconstruction of the world. The great call is still for food. Other industries may collapse, but agriculture must go on.

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 Open the way to prosperity and independence. Prairie land \$11 to \$30 an acre; irrigated land up to \$50. Get started. Land is being rapidly taken up. Write for free booklets and full information.

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 EASTBOUND—12.30 p.m. DAILY

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H. G. THUNELL, Publisher

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Reasonable rates are charged for display advertisements. Local notices in our paid local columns are ten cents per line first insertion and 5 cents per line each succeeding insertion. Local notices 12c per line first insertion, 8c per line each succeeding insertion. Notices of Festivals, lectures, concerts, and all entertainments of a money-making character are 5c per line. Resolutions of respect one dollar for each insertion. Card of thanks \$25. Memorials, 50c. Notices of stray or stray animals, three insertions for one dollar. All changes of advertisements must be in not later than Tuesday to insure change for that week.

Friday, March 7th 1919

Work of Repatriation.

The work of Repatriation is no one-man's job—it is the duty and the privilege of every citizen of the Dominion of Canada.

The war was not the work of the soldiers alone—it was the task of every Canadian, and it is our pride that Canadians as a whole recognized that, and set a standard for self-sacrificing, intelligent joyful service not surpassed in any country.

The war is not yet won. These soldier boys who have been in the midst of alarms for four years and more still suffer from its effects, although many, very many are coming home physically sound. These boys must change their whole scheme of living. Their outlook in life must be changed. To do so, they will need help. They will need sympathetic, kindly treatment. That is where everybody can help. Not all have jobs to offer. These men must have satisfactory work at a proper compensation. A body of public sentiment must be created in favor of giving the returned man every possible change to make him self the self supporting man he wants to be. Meet him when he comes home. Give him the glad hand. Smooth out his little difficulties. Be kindly, sympathetic with him, so that he may get back to that place in the community to which his talents fit him, but which his experience in a sense unfitted him.

Repatriation is a big problem, but the solution can and will be found in patient kindly treatment.

The Land Settlement scheme is under way. The Government will secure land for the men who want to go on the farms. The Provincial Governments are co-operating in a most splendid manner. Soldier farming communities will shortly dot the land. There is no danger of a failure in this proposition.

"We will go the limit for the Returned Men," is the substance of a resolution passed unanimously by the Saskatchewan Legislature at the session just closed. That is an excellent motto for all Canadians. The limit is not too much.

The Repatriation Committee has named Major Beresford Topp, D.S.O., M.C. with bar, as its representative in England. It is absolutely necessary to acquaint the men coming home with the plans adopted by the government for their re-establishment into civil life. It will prevent their worrying, and will enable the men to make their plans accordingly. Major Topp is a first class fighting man, with four decorations for gallantry, a newspaperman of experience and ability, and his work will undoubtedly be most productive of good.

Lt. Charles W. Cavers, formerly editor of the Sunday World Toronto, has been appointed to take charge of the publicity department of the Soldiers' Land Settlement scheme. Mr. Cavers was in France two years, being gassed, but returned during the fall of 1918. He is a capable soldier, and an experienced newspaperman.

Employment offices have been installed in over 30 cities in Canada, and others will be opened at once. It is the intention of the Repatriation Committee to have employment agencies in every city with a population of over 10,000, if there

is need of such offices. Returned men are put in charge, and every effort is being made to bring employers and returned men in touch with each other. Excellent reports are being received of the work being done.

A Repatriation League has been formed in Toronto with Brig. Gen. John A. Gunn as president. This league has been approved of by Mr. H. J. Daly, chairman of the Repatriation Committee, and will divide the work, and share the responsibility of getting returned men into positions.

Municipalities are doing great work in connection with receptions to returned men. The councils have as a rule entered into this most heartily, with beneficial results. The majority of the municipalities are also planning for civic improvements on a large scale. This will give employment to many men, and will help solve the problem of unemployment.

There is a cry for farm labor at the present time. It is expected that when spring seeding arrives, many men will be discharged from the army, allowing them to take up their former occupations on the farm.

Increased production is essential to Canada's prosperity and the expectation is that the shortage will not be so acute when these men get back.

Billion Dollar Wheat Guarantee Bill Is Adopted.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The administration measure appropriating \$1,000,000,000 to fulfill the government's guaranteed wheat prices to the farmer for the 1919 crop, was passed at 12.30 o'clock Friday morning by the senate without material amendment and now goes to conference.

More or Less Funny

"Don't kiss blondes" says a leading Boston dentist. Yet there's lots of guys around here who are willing to take a chance.

One of the young fellows around here says he will never try to kiss a girl with a lantern jaw in the dark. He tried it once and her face lit up and gave him away.

Somebody who doesn't know the Red Cross is as busy as ever sends us an item suggesting that the Red Cross ladies might continue their activities and knit a few pairs of socks for the men folk at home.

The story is told of a lady here who decided to tell her children that there is no Santa Claus, thinking it best to break the news to them gently. After she had sorrowfully explained that it was all a hoax, they exclaimed, "Well, are you just finding that out?"

The girls around here are fast adopting military terms. One of them, thinking she has made a hit with a fellow that has taken her to the show a couple of times, reports him as "wounded, degree undetermined."

A party of ladies was gathered at one of the homes here recently, and in order to make it interesting somebody suggested that each describe just how her husband proposed to her. The suggestion fell like a wet blanket on the party and the motion failed for want of a second. We hate to give it away but the fact was that it wasn't the husbands that did the proposing, so there was nothing to discuss.

Tofield Girls Not A Bit Nice Think Vegrevillians.

The Girls Hockey Club paid a friendly visit to Tofield on Friday evening of last week and engaged in hostilities with the Tofielders. Hostilities is the right word, for the Tofield ladies declared war right from the start and biffed our darlings by some 7 to 0. It is reported that the game and its aftermath were not free from acrimony and that our pets did not receive that courtesy which is expected in these alleged friendly contests. Begorra, they didn't even get a free lunch although the Tofielders sat in to one themselves but failed to invite the visitors. It was a sad, sad time; indeed it was. Even the Tofield police took a back at the unhappy Vegrevillians.—Vegreville Observer.

"History in the Making" Say Alberta Stock Breeders

Westerners are still making records. Stock shippers and railroad men co-operated recently to make a mark that will take a lot of beating.

The biggest trainload of livestock that ever left Edmonton was shipped from that city to the Barton Cattle Co., Pierre, South Dakota, a few days ago. Quick transit was desirable so the G.T.P. took over the shipment and made the entire run in just over thirty-four hours, including a stop of one hour and twenty-five minutes at a divisional point.

There were thirty-three cars in all, and this performance speaks volumes for the superb condition of roadbed and rolling stock. There were 837 head of cattle, valued at \$85,000.00, in a train about one-third of a mile long. Alberta stock shippers are elated over this record, and the Edmonton papers term it "History in the Making."

The Barton Cattle Co. expect to continue similar shipments twice monthly. As high as 13c was paid for some of the stock in this shipment.

Dairymen Plan To Boost Up The Dairy Industry.

Calgary, Feb. 27.—The importance of education to the producer, the manufacturer and also to the consumer, with regard to the dairy industry, was insisted upon by every speaker at the meeting of the Alberta dairy convention this morning. Dairy Commissioner Marker advocated the establishment of locals similar to those of the UFA to look after dairy interests in the different districts.

Daniel Morkerberg, president, spoke briefly upon the work already done in organizing the Dairymen's association of Alberta. The constitution and by-laws were read and adopted by the members present.

In speaking of the National Dairy Council, Geo. A. Putnam, Toronto, secretary of the council, said that the success of council depended upon the local organizations.

The National Council was created for the purpose of co-ordinating the work done by the provincial organizations, Mr. Putnam said.

The National Dairy Council, Mr. Putnam added, would justify its existence by the publication of literature dealing with dairying problems by judicious advertising and by educating the consumer upon the food values of milk and milk products.

L.A. Gibson, dairy commissioner of Manitoba, said in his province dairying was coming into its own, not only in the northern section, but in the southern section, which had always been the grain-growing section.

P.E. Reid, dairy commissioner of Saskatchewan, reported conditions in Saskatchewan with regard to the gradual and increasing substitution of dairying for the raising of grain.

Ryley Resident Is Accidentally Killed In A Wind Mill.

Ryley, Alberta, Feb. 28. Gus Anderson was accidentally killed yesterday on his farm here. He was working with the machinery of his power windmill when it is supposed his clothes caught in the shaft.

He was alone at the time and was discovered later by his little daughter who was sent by her mother to find out why he was delayed.

Mr. Anderson was one of the early settlers here, and was well known in the district. He leaves a wife and five children, also one brother, Ernest, living here.

Parcel Undelivered.

The post-master has received a notice that the department is holding a parcel mailed to Pte Joe Krenelka, No. 3210390, No. 6 Co. Casualty Draft, Krinnet Park Camp, Army P.O. England. As there is no name on this parcel indicating who sent it, the postmaster would like the sender to call and give their name.

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In the district court of the district of Edmonton, in the matter of the Estate of Francis David Johnstone, late of the settlement of Irma, in the Province of Alberta, Farmer, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the order of his Honor Judge Taylor dated Feb. 25th, A.D. 1919, that all persons having claims against the Estate of Francis David Johnstone, who died on or about the 10th day of January, A.D. 1919, at his residence near Irma, Alberta, are required to file with the undersigned by the first day of May, A.D. 1919, a full statement duly verified of their claims, their Christian names and surnames, addresses and descriptions, and a statement of their securities (if any) held by them, and that after that date, the Executrix, Adelaide, Fischer Johnstone, of the Settlement of Irma, in the Province of Alberta, will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, and will not be liable for any part thereof to any person of whose claim she shall then not have received notice.

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Strangely enough, though there seemed to be no window, nor any means of ventilation save the door, which they had closed behind them, the air felt fresh and wholesome. After a few seconds they realized that there was a light coming from somewhere, very dimly indeed, but enough to enable them faintly to distinguish one another's figures.

Claude pointed to one of the walls of the chamber. "Look," he whispered right into mon's ear. "This panelling is full of holes. The light is coming in from the next room. From the other side they just look like worm holes, but they were made by human hands hundreds of years ago, so that whatever went on in the next room could be heard in here. To your right there is one hole larger than the rest, through which you can just see into the adjoining room. Look now. Are they all there?"

Monsieur applied his eye to the tiny aperture. "No," he whispered back. "One is still absent."

"Then we must wait in silence," replied the other. "For the love of heaven, make no noise."

For some time they waited, and then monsieur asked in a hushed murmur:

"Is there any door leading from here into the next room?"

"Yes," Claude replied. "But it hasn't been opened for years, and it might not work now. Why?"

"It might be necessary to use it," said monsieur. "Show me where it is."

Claude guided the other's hand along the wall till it came in contact with a tiny knob. "You press that," he instructed, "and the door slides back."

Meanwhile Charles had been watching through the eyehole. Suddenly he touched monsieur's arm.

"They are all assembled," he whispered. "We must listen now."

Stealthily the three men drew closer to the wall, and all listened intently.

In a room in the old French chateau, seven men were seated round a table. The room was lit with candles set in great brass sconces round its oak-paneled walls, the low, high ceiling was black with age, the high, diamond-paned windows were hung with heavy old tapestry, priceless and worn. In an open fireplace, a huge log fire was burning brightly, its dancing flames reflecting themselves in the polished steel of two massive dogs.

On the floor was a sombre carpet, age old, worn with the passing of uncounted feet.

Outside the wind whistled and moaned, the rain beat fiercely against the closed casements, seeming at times as though its force would shatter them. Despite the genial blaze of the fire, and the glow of the many candles, the whole room seemed wrapped in a sombre shadow, and the faces of the seven men at the heavily-carved table were strangely indistinct.

They sat there, immobile and utterly silent, waiting. The only things in the room which seemed alive, were

four horrible dragons' heads, carved out of the black oak of the high mantelpiece. These caught the light of the fire and shined, and each fresh flicker which shone on them made the sinister look of their faces change, each seeming to wear a different expression, though all were really the same. Their eyes were the only things that looked alive, and they stared, threatening and baleful, at the human inhabitants of the room.

A clock in some distant place rang out the hour of ten with melancholy insistence and the silence broke, thus, one of the men spoke:

"He should be here now," he said. "Yes," said the other, "it is late."

And then again they relapsed into silence and waiting.

Presently a log fell out of the fire on to the wide hearth, and one of the men rose to replace it. Just at that moment the door opened and a man-servant appeared.

"M. le duc has arrived, messieurs," said he, "accompanied by his medical attendant. He wishes to know if the doctor shall help me to support him in here, or if one of you gentlemen will do so."

The man who was sitting at the head of the table rose to his feet.

"If you will excuse me, gentlemen," he said, "I will go and assist my son. I do not think it would be advisable for any stranger to see all of us here together."

He left the room, and in a few minutes entered again, supporting on one side a young man, whose head was bowed in his hands, who walked slowly and with obvious weariness.

The other men rose to greet him. "My dear Victor," said one, "this is extremely unfortunate. I fear your brain will not be at its clearest."

It is a pity you were not able to postpone your little affaire d'amour until after our meeting was over."

"Yes," put in another querulously, "we were all greatly put-out at having had to come down here last night for nothing. You might have let us know sooner that you were not going to turn up."

The young man addressed as "Victor" smiled rather wanly at the others. "You are somewhat unsympathetic, aren't you?" he asked. "I was fully intending to come down here last night, but as soon as I tried to get out of bed to dress, this accursed wound in my head started bleeding again, and the doctor said it would be sheer suicide to attempt to travel. So what would you?"

"Well, well," interposed one of the others, "whatever kept him, or however annoyed you were by our fruitless journey yesterday, there is no object in wasting our time in recriminations now. Let us get to business."

"Good," agreed the rest, and they re-seated themselves round the table, Victor being propped up with cushions in a large chair at the foot, his father sitting sternly erect at the head.

"I think father," the young man began, "that you had better explain to me what is the object of this meeting. I have been kept completely in the dark so far, and I should like to know what the necessity was for my presence here."

"Because," he ordered me so peremptorily to do so, but it was devoid of convenience, as you can imagine."

"I think you may spare us your comments, Victor," replied his father coldly. "I shall have something to say to you later in private, and you can give me your opinions then. But the reason for our meeting is this: These gentlemen who have been associated with us in many of our little enterprises, and to whom we are considerably indebted, are for various reasons, which do not concern us in urgent need of money. We ourselves are in the same condition. The life you are pleased to lead in Paris, Victor, is not what could possibly be called an inexpensive one. You are, I know, considerably in debt, and have been for some time past running away with a tremendous amount of money, which, I may mention, you cannot spare."

"The various enterprises in which I have interested myself lately, have not all been as successful as I could have wished, and in one way and another I find myself what you call 'a bit hard up.' To add to this, I have a considerable sum of my most unpleasant character. You remember that two years ago, in order to raise the necessary capital for one of our schemes, we mortgaged our country estates for the sum of five million francs, hoping, of course, that our ventures would prove so successful that we should be able to pay off that mortgage in a very short time. As ill luck would have it, everything seemed to go wrong, and instead of making money, we lost it."

"Consequently, we were not able to pay off either the mortgage, nor even the interest on it, and the mortgagee has for some time been making himself exceedingly unpleasant. I conclude that he has now heard of our most unsatisfactory financial position, and feeling that he stands to lose a considerable sum, has, I consider, most unreasonably decided to foreclose. That is to say, if we do not pay off our obligations to him within a month, which is all the time he is willing to allow us, we cease to be the owners of our own estates."

"Now, you can see, that apart from the loss of property, and consequently of available security entailed by this move, it is considerably more our credit. I fancy that should such a thing happen, the various tradesmen and others to whom you are in debt will begin to press you for repayment even more urgently than they have already done, and as you and I have both been living more on credit for some time, that will not be very convenient."

"Moreover, I have recently been in negotiation with an American millionaire, who wishes to rent the St. Denis estate from me for some number of years, for a considerable sum of money. We cannot quite agree over the details, but we shall doubtless agree by the end of the week. This is a pity. But if we are forced to allow our friend, the mortgagee, to foreclose, as I feel sure he will not hesitate to do, the minute the stipulated time is

up, that little transaction and consequent source of income is off. So you see, my dear Victor, that at least a million francs must be forthcoming within a month to pay off the mortgage alone, not to speak of what we shall require to settle our other little debts. In fact, to be perfectly frank with you, that million will be a mere drop in the bucket, as they say in England."

Victor laughed. "As far as I am concerned," said he, "that is true. I could easily do with that little amount for quite necessary payments and expenses. Life in Paris is so dominantly dear, and one must live like a gentleman, you know. It would never do for one's friends to think one was on the rocks. All the same, I don't see what object there is for my presence here tonight. I need money badly enough, but I don't know in the least how to raise it, so can't help you."

"That is exactly where you are wrong," replied his father. "As you say, you need money, but so do we, and we are all poor men, and cannot possibly lay our hands on enough to see us through our various difficulties."

"Still, I do not see where I come in," protested Victor.

"I should have thought it obvious," replied his father, "but if you will go on enough to refrain from interruptions, I will explain. In less than a month now, you will come of age. On your twenty-first birthday, you will inherit a huge sum of money, together with the really considerable estates, left you by your uncle, my half-brother. Now, in his will he instructed that this money was to be controlled jointly by you, and your cousin, his daughter, and used for the furthering of the cause to which his life was devoted."

"Although during his lifetime, I, as you know, agreed with all my half-brother had to say on this subject, and counselled you to do likewise, my motives were frankly those of conciliation and expediency. We neither of us, to be perfectly frank, care two pence for this cause, and I can say so freely, as our friends here know as well as we. We can find much better uses for the money, and I feel that one of those better uses will be to pay off the mortgage, which I have mentioned. With diplomacy and skill I think we can get round that will."

Victor laughed. "Does it not occur to you, sir, that I may have in my mind other, and still better, uses for the money, which are entirely apart from your interests?" he asked.

"I think, my son," his father replied sternly, and with deliberate emphasis, "that if you will remember that it is through my skill and foresight that you inherited this money, you will agree that I have a right to some say in its disposal. Remember the little conversation we had last week."

Victor's face fell. "You are right," said he. "I had forgotten. But even so, I do not see that we are much nearer to an answer than I hope eventually to get the control of this money into my own hands, but I think you have overlooked the fact that my cousin will have something to say on the subject. She is an ardent disciple of her late father, you know, and will want the lot to be expended on the cause he cherished, and her written consent is necessary before I can touch a sou."

"Try, but perhaps we can get over that difficulty. One of our friends here has come prepared with an excellent suggestion."

(To Be Continued)

Proposed Road Experiments

Regina, Sask. — Experiments in connection with the construction of permanent highways capable of carrying heavy motor truck traffic will be undertaken at two points in the province by the highways department of the provincial government, according to an announcement made in the legislature by Hon. S. J. Latta.

The purpose of these roads will be to provide adequate facilities for those communities which are yet remote from railways, and it is proposed to make small permanent bridges part of the scheme.

Cleaning Up Old Pembina

Pembina, N. D. — The Pembina city council has taken steps to clean up the town and make every section of it presentable. "Old buildings are to be torn down, or fixed up and painted, and the sites cleaned up and sown to grass. There are going to be no unsightly spots in Pembina after the council gets through with the task it has undertaken. Citizens will be requested to take part by painting up their homes and business places and getting a good instead of a dirt surface on their home lots."

Immense Freak Egg
"Brandon, Man. — A white Orpington, owned by a Saskatoon fancier, is credited in the local press with having been responsible for an egg of immense size. It measured nine inches around in one way and eight the other. When opened it was found to contain a single yolk, but inside the yolk was another perfectly formed egg, shell and all."

Mrs. H. Valentine of Regina, owns 50 hens, which laid 750 eggs during January. The owner of these busy hens sold eggs to the value of \$35 during that period. This is considered by the owner as being one of the best records known in the west, especially during the winter months.

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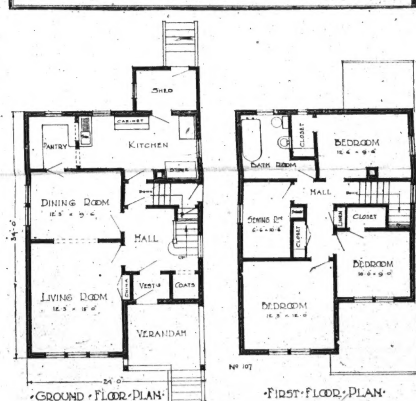
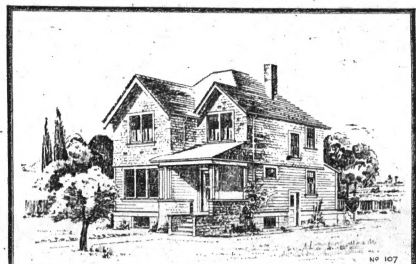
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CONSTRUCTION NOTES

Tisdale, Sask.—Town council plans erection of \$10,000 hospital.

Estevan, Sask.—Town council plans erection of addition to high school.

Qu'Appelle, Sask.—Town council plans erection of municipal rink of metal construction.

Melfort, Sask.—A. G. Badgeley, Palmer, Sask., plans erection of \$10,000 garage.

Melfort, Sask.—Work will start in spring for \$5,000 addition to hardware store for J. H. Millard.

Melville, Sask.—Saskatchewan Co-operative Creameries plans erection of cold storage plant.

Maple Valley, Sask.—Plans will be prepared for \$5,000 one-storey addition to school.

Canroose, Alta.—Imperial Oil Co. plans construction of two tanks of 85,000 gallons capacity.

Kamsack, Sask.—Presbyterian congregation plans erection of church.

Cabri, Sask.—Town council plans installing electric light system.

Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask. — Tenders will be called March 1st for erection of visitors' lodge costing \$15,000 for Red Cross society.

Enquiring About West
Saskatoon, Sask. — "Within the last few weeks," said Gerald Graham, commissioner of the board of trade, "we have had more inquiries from England and Ireland regarding the opportunities to be had in this country than we received in the entire year of 1918. In my opinion this is in the nature of a forecast of the tremendous immigration which we are to witness in the near future."

Manitoba's Crop Outlook Cheering
Conditions in Manitoba were never better at this time of the year than they are today, and the prospects for a good crop next season were never brighter, stated the deputy minister of agriculture, to a reporter recently.

Large areas of new breaking land have been prepared for spring sowing and if anything like satisfactory weather conditions prevail during the summer, there should be a large crop.

Ontario's Big Building Program

(From Contract-Builder)

Premier Hearst has made the definite announcement that the Ontario government proposes to expend approximately \$25,000,000 this year on buildings and other construction work. These projects are to be got under way at once in order to provide employment. Preliminary work has, in some cases, already been started, and as soon as the weather opens up sufficiently the construction will go full speed ahead. It is estimated that there will be 30,477 men employed on this work during the summer, not including those employed by the T. & N. O. commission and the Hydro-electric commission, whose labor requirements, the prime minister said, would run into the thousands.

The amounts to be expended on new buildings and repairs to existing buildings in the various cities and towns throughout the province, are estimated as follows: Toronto, \$6,585,000; Brockville, \$76,800; Hamilton, \$70,620; Kingston, \$110,000; London, \$100,500; Mimico, \$89,600; Orillia, \$119,650; Penetang, \$17,000; Whitby, \$482,800; Woodstock, \$128,500; Ottawa, \$38,350; Normal schools at Ottawa, Hamilton, North Bay, Peterboro' and Stratford, \$20,200; Belleville, \$80,000; Brantford, \$7,750; Guelph, \$12,100; other expenditures under this classification, \$139,460.

New construction and repairs in northern Ontario districts, it is estimated, will approximate \$204,670. Five million dollars of the total is set aside for highway construction, including work on the provincial highway and on county systems receiving assistance from the province. The amount to be expended in connection with the housing scheme this year is also set down as approximately \$5,000,000, the total amount made available under recent legislative measures for the purpose being \$11,000,000.

Large Oil Refining Plant for Regina

Regina, Sask. — The local manager of the Continental Oil company announces that his company will establish an oil refining plant here which will involve an expenditure of \$1,000,000. Options on possible site in Regina have been secured.

While it will be impossible to complete construction this year, the manager states sufficient work will be employed on this work during the summer, not including those employed by the T. & N. O. commission and the Hydro-electric commission, whose labor requirements, the prime minister said, would run into the thousands.

The crude oil will be brought to Regina from the Wyoming oil fields and a modern refinery will be erected to care for the rapidly expanding business in Saskatchewan. The plans call for a considerable distilling capacity and a large number of tanks.

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LOCAL NEWS

L. Nachbar, of Provost, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. Salmon.

The stork left a baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Elliott last Sunday. Both are doing nicely.

A.A. Thoresen of Unity, has been visiting his sister Mrs. P.E. Jones.

Mrs. G. Arnold returned from Edmonton Sunday with her young daughter, which was born on the 20th of February.

J.G. Clark and J.H. Elliott attended the Alberta Cattle, Sheep and Swine Breeders Association at Edmonton on Wednesday.

Sergeant Geo. Hopkins returned to Irma Wednesday. Mr. Hopkins enlisted early soon after war was declared and went over with one of the western battalions. He saw quite a few of the Irma boys in France and England.

Pte Newton Harvey arrived back at Jarrow Sunday night and came to Irma Wednesday. Pte Harvey was wounded last fall and at the time of the signing of the armistice was in England. He is looking hale and hearty now and glad to get home among his friends.

JARROW

The election is over and Mr. A. Carter is elected by a comfortable majority of 14. We wish him every success in his work during 1919. The first meeting of the new council takes place at Kinsella on Mar. 6th.

The last whist drive and dance held in the Jarrow school was a decided success, and now that the flu is about gone and forgotten, the ladies have announced their intention of holding another whist drive and dance on March 14th and expect a large crowd and a good time. Everyone is welcome so come out and shake your feet and get loosened up for spring work.

Frank McGee is busy taking listings for farm lands and town lots and expects to see considerable land moving this spring. He is doing business under the name of The Max Land and Insurance Co. A supply of forms for Mortgages, Agreements of Sale and transfers, etc., will be on hand at all times and Frank will be at your service in the lumber office as usual.

Boost for your town.

Why doesn't some enterprising person start a newspaper in Jarrow. Nothing helps a town like a local newspaper and the merchants have an opportunity to tell us what they have to sell and what they want for it.

A large meeting of the UFA was held in the school on March 1st and there was a sprinkling of ladies to be seen at this meeting, we understand. We need their guiding influence quite often and hope they will continue to take an active interest in local affairs, in ever increasing numbers. After the UFA meeting was concluded, the question of a Memorial hall was brought up again and it was decided to open this question for discussion again at some were present at the previous meeting. After hearing several views of the question, it was decided that Jarrow district could not build a building at present that would be a credit to it for this purpose as any amount of elaborate architecture would cost a large sum of money. The committee reported that they had secured an option on 4 lots in the village at \$125 for the whole and it was decided to level up these lots and make a miniature park of the space and at a future date erect a monument of some sort on the grounds. Five canvassers were chosen as follows:- North, J. A. Lennox and C. Ahlf, South, C.J. Knudson and W. Comlev, and for the village F.C. McGee. F.C. McGee is Secretary and secured \$50 in cash donations at the meeting so the scheme is off to a good start already. It is hoped to raise enough cash in the village to pay for the site, which is lots 1 2 3 and 4 in block 8 facing on Main St and 2nd Avenue.

NOTICE To Employers

The Workmen's Compensation Act, 1918, provides that every employer of labor coming within the scope of the Act, shall forward each month a statement of his payroll to the Workmen's Compensation Board, at Edmonton.

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